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## RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the notice of noncompliant amendment mailed on March 13, 2006, the applicants submit the following corrected sections:

A Listing of Claims begins on page 2;

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6; and

Remarks begin on page 7.